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Court Throws Down Gauntlet on Healthcare Law



In the latest challenge to the Obama administration's healthcare legislation, a federal appeals court declared that the provision requiring individuals to purchase health insurance coverage is unconstitutional. The judges stated Congress cannot "mandate that individuals enter into contracts with private insurance companies for the purchase of an expensive product from the time they are born until the time they die." What could the decision, and other similar cases, mean for the future of the healthcare law? Read on.

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Will You Have to Pay Tax on Social Security Benefits?



During your working years, you pay Social Security taxes on earned income and look forward to the day when you can retire and get some of that money back. So once you start receiving Social Security benefits, you may be surprised to find out that you could owe federal (and possibly state) income tax on the payments. A Congressional report revealed that about one-third of beneficiaries pay tax. This article explains how to find out if Uncle Sam will take a tax bite out of your benefits.

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Dealing with a Death



The emotional trauma of dealing with a loved one's death can be devastating. If you are the one who must also deal with the financial aspects, it can seem overwhelming to contend with all the details. Click "Full Article" for a checklist of items to consider.

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